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RELATED PROGRAMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and  
listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims** (deleted text being struck through and added text  
being underlined):

1. (Currently Amended) A method for performing events for  
related programs, comprising:

maintaining a subset of program information for at least one  
related program of a given program, the program  
information for the at least one related program being  
maintained with program information for the given  
program in an information handling system;

providing information on programs related ~~through~~ to the at  
least one related program and but otherwise unrelated to  
the given program except through the at least one related  
program, the information on programs related to the at  
least one related program being associated with the  
subset of program information for the at least one  
related program; and

performing at least one program event for the given program  
and, based upon the subset of program information, the  
at least one related program.

2. (Original) The method of Claim 1, further comprising the  
action of maintaining the program information for the given  
program, including the subset of program information for the at  
least one related program, in an electronic program guide (EPG).

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3. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 1, further comprising:

obtaining user input based on the information provided; and  
performing program events based on the user input.

4. (Original) The method of Claim 1 wherein the action of performing program events includes recording the given program and the at least one related program.

5. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the subset of program information is appended to the program information for the given program.

6. (Currently Amended) A system for performing events for related programs, comprising:  
at least one processor;  
memory operably associated with said processor; and  
a program of instructions configured to be executed by said processor and stored in said memory, said program of instructions including instructions configured to maintain a subset of program information for at least one related program of a given program, the program information for the at least one related program being maintained with program information for the given program in an information handling system, provide information on programs related ~~through~~ to the at least one related program ~~and but otherwise unrelated to the given program except through the at least one related program. the information on programs related to the at least one related program being~~ associated with the subset of program information for the at least one

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related program, and perform at least one program event for the given program and, based upon the subset of program information, perform at least one program event for the at least one related program and the information on program related through the at least one related program and associated with the subset of program information for the at least one related program.

7. (Original) The system of Claim 6 wherein said program of instruction further includes instructions configured to maintain the program information for the given program, including the subset of program information for the at least one related program, in an electronic program guide (EPG).

8. (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 6 wherein said program of instructions further includes:  
instructions configured to obtain user input based on the information provided; and  
instruction configured to perform program events based on the user input.

9. (Original) The system of claim 6 further comprising a recording device.

10. (Original) The system of claim 6 wherein the subset of program information is appended to the program information for the given program.

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11. (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium tangibly embodying a program of instructions implementing the following method:

- maintaining a subset of program information for at least one related program of a given program, the program information for the at least one related program being maintained with program information for the given program in an information handling system;
- providing information on programs related ~~through~~ to the at least one related program and but otherwise unrelated to the given program except through the at least one related program, the information on programs related to the at least one related program being associated with the subset of program information for the at least one related program; and
- performing at least one program event for the given program and based upon the subset of program information, the at least one related program.

12. (Original) The computer readable medium of Claim 11 wherein said program of instruction further implements maintaining the program information for the given program, including the subset of program information for the at least one related program, in an electronic program guide (EPG).

13. (Previously Presented) The computer readable medium of Claim 11 wherein said program of instruction further implements: obtaining user input based on the information provided; and performing program events based on the user input.

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14. (Original) The computer readable medium of Claim 11 wherein said program of instructions further implements recording the given program and the at least one related program.

15. (Original) The computer readable medium of Claim 11 wherein the subset of program information is appended to the program information for the given program.

16. (Previously Presented) A signal tangibly embodied in a propagation medium, comprising:

at least one instruction configured to maintain, in an electronic program guide (EPG), a subset of program information for at least one related program of a given program, the program information for the at least one related program being maintained with program information for the given program;

at least one instruction configured to provide information on programs related ~~through to~~ the at least one related program ~~and but otherwise unrelated to the given program except through the at least one related program, the information on programs related to the at least one related program being~~ associated with the subset of program information for the at least one related program; and

at least one instruction configured to perform at least one program event for the given program and, based upon the subset of program information, the at least one related program.

17. (Previously Presented) The signal of Claim 16 wherein the signal further comprises at least one instruction configured to obtain user input based on the information provided and at least one instruction configured to perform the program events based on user input.

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18. (Original) The signal of Claim 16 wherein the action of performing program events includes recording the given program and the at least one related program.

19. (Original) The signal of Claim 16 wherein the subset of program information is appended to the program information for the given program.